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On September 6, 2006 the United States Patent and Trademark Office mailed a Notice of Noncompliant Amendment relating to an Amendment filed by Applicant on August 24, 2006. Applicant hereby responds to the Notice of Noncompliant Amendment and provides the following:

- 1. A current listing of claims is found on page 2 of this paper.
- 2. An election of claims for continued examination is found on page 5 of this paper.
- 3. An amendment of the specification is found on page 7 of this paper.
- 4. Remarks/ Argument begins on page 8 of this paper.
- 5. A clean copy of the elected claims is found at Exhibit A of this paper.
- 6. A clean copy of the specification is found at Exhibit B of this paper.